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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

It is of vital importance that there is local competition to the big names like Comcast. We have been excitedly looking forward to a local provider who would be able to provide better customer service and competitive pricing. Currently where I live we literally only have one option, Comcast. This means they can essentially charge whatever they want and they have no incentive to provide better customer service, since if we want internet we will pay. Additionally, Comcast has not demonstrated commitment to net neutrality, which is important to us.

Internet access is vital to modern life, both in personal and professional realms. Please allow local competition rather than one big business monopoly.

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